BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES 4/28/09

The Board of Selectmen met in the Town Hall, Joseph F. Bilotta Meeting Room as scheduled with Thomas Alonzo, Paula Bertram, Steven M. deBettencourt, Thomas Mason, Dave Matthews and CAFO Kerry Speidel present. Meeting opened at 5:50 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

APPOINTMENTS

CURRENT BUSINESS

1. Minutes – none

Warrants - #22P 09, 4/31/09 - \$585,735.16 and #58 09, 4/28/09 - \$181,413.16 reviewed and signed.

Action File Issues – None

Contracts - None

OLD BUSINESS

1. Review Warrant Articles – CAFO reviewed the attached in preparation of Special / Annual Town Meeting on 5/2/09.

Question came up on the Teen Center request for assistance in funding the facility and per Kerry this has been included within the facilities budget (DPW).

Discussed the potential that they grant for the director (Teen Center) may not be funded. As far as the programs, town will have to look at the agreement and see where we are with that, should the director's salary not be funded. Noted that we are currently paying for part of the building that we have agreed to pay for, and the program is funded by the Boys & Girls program.

Per CAFO, the only position that is considered new will be the network administrator position which is being funded via a transfer of funds between the town and school. Working with the School Superintendent as to who would be the director of the department and Paula's concern is that moving the director over to the school you still have to have someone in place that can work cohesively with the school and town. Outsourcing a network administrator, who is going to be overseeing the department as a whole. CAFO noted that hopefully an IT person can work in this position; the Director, it's not the right position for him. He will be administering the schools data base, the other issues he struggles with and part of it is time and that he would struggle with, no matter how much time he had.

We will be looking at having 3 ½ people for the IT department and the intent is to have the CAFO and the School Superintendent as overseeing.

Per the CAFO, she and Loxi have not discussed the salary of the current IT Director as of yet. The additional funding from the stimulus plan may allow us to fund this position more efficiently. Ideally this position will be a department head however the reality is that the superintendent and CAFO will serve in this function. Once the problems are solved we shouldn't have these issues.

In other business, CAFO noted that for FY2010, we may be looking at furlough's which would amount to approximately \$16,000 per day.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Contract Negotiations -

Being no further business board voted unanimously to adjourn Regular Session at 7:08 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Williams, Chief Administrative Assistant Board of Selectmen